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Federal Communications Commission Office of Secretary

Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Karen Majcher

Vice President – High-Cost and Low Income Division Universal Administrative Company 2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

Re:

Annual Federal High-Cost Certification

CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Mses. Dortch and Majcher:

Attached hereto please find the annual Federal High-Cost Certification of San Carlos Apache Telecommunications Utility, Inc. A facsimile copy of the notarized certification is submitted with this letter, and the original hand-signed certification will be delivered to you when they arrive at our offices via overnight courier.

The undersigned may be contacted should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Joshua H. Seidemann

Of Counsel

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President Vernon R. James

General Manager

San Carlos Apache Telecommunications Utility, Inc.

September 29, 2005

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

RE: Certification of Compliance With Section 254(e) In Lieu of State Certification, Pursuant to the Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, And Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the referenced Order and 47 CFR §54.314(b), enclosed are an original and four (4) copies of the executed affidavit for San Carlos Apache Telecommunications Utility Company, Inc. (SCATUI). As a tribally owned carrier not subject to state commission jurisdiction, SCATUI is filing its certification of compliance with Section 254(e) directly with the Federal Communications Commission. For our records, please date/file stamp one copy and return it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided. Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please call.

Sincerely,

Vernon R. James

CEO & General Manager

Enclosures

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 254(e) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL UNIVERSAL FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE FOURTEENTH REPORT AND ORDER IN CC DOCKET NO. 96-45

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)

STATE OF ARIZONA COUNTY OF GILA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Vernon R. James, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and General Manager (GM) of San Carlos Apache Telecommunications Utility, Inc. (SCATUI), who on his oath deposed and stated:

- 1. My name is Vernon R. James. I am employed by SCATUI in the position of CEO & GM. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by SCATUI and how SCATUI uses these funds.
- 2. SCATUI is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC), within the meaning of §214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act), having been designated by the FCC as an ETC on February 27, 1998.
- 3. The Federal Universal Service support funds received by SCATUI are used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as designated by the FCC consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act
- 4. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101 which are available throughout SCATUI's study area:
 - a) voice grade access to the public switched network;
 - b) local usage;
 - c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
 - d) single party service, or its functional equivalent;
 - e) access to emergency services;
 - f) access to operator services;
 - g) access to inter-exchange service;
 - h) access to directory assistance; and,
 - i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income customers.

The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

· Vernon R. James

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 30th day of September, 2005.

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Notary Public - State of Arizona